

Preliminary Amendment dated January 20, 2004

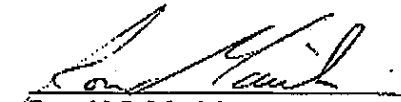
Remarks

This paper is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed by the USPTO on December 15, 2003. Accompanying this Amendment is a petition for a one-month extension of time Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136, including an authorization for the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No. 04-1529 the fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17.

On December 12, 2003, Applicant filed a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR §1.114, and a Preliminary Amendment. An authorization to charge deposit account number 04-1529 the fee for a three month extension of time under 37 CFR §1.17 was including with the RCE and the Preliminary amendment.

Applicant herein has cancelled all pending claims and has entered three new claims. Basis for new claims 24-26 is found in the prior claims and throughout the specification, especially on pages 4-8, and 11. Consequently, new claims 24-26 do not add any new matter. Applicant asserts the new claims address and overcome all of the rejections made by Examiner in the Final Rejection dated June 3, 2003. Applicant respectfully requests Examiner to enter the amendments, examine new claims 24-26, and pass the case to issuance in due course.

Respectfully submitted,



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